GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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PENDING CASES OF COMMISSIONING OF RETAIL OUTLETS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether a large number of cases of commissioning of retail outlets are lying pending due to various administrative reasons;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether the oil PSUs are empowered to take decision in such cases now at theirown or still required approval of the Government when the APM has been dismantled; and

(d): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Some cases are still in the process of commissioning due to reasons such as:-

i) Non-availability of suitable land.
ii) Judicial interventions.
iii) Non-completion of works, etc.

(c) & (d): The Oil Marketing Companies, even during the period ofAdministered Pricing Mechanism, were taking decision to commission retail outlets for which dealers had been selected as per the laid down procedures and guidelines.